

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Special Meeting

November 7, 2017

The Lafayette County Board of Supervisors Law Enforcement Committee held a special meeting on November 7, 2017, in the Sheriff's Office Conference Room.

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 a.m., by Committee Chairman, Gerald Heimann. Present at the meeting were Gerald Heimann, Dwayne Larson, John Bartels, John Perkins, County Board Chairman, Jack Sauer, Sheriff Reg Gill, Chief Deputy Troy Loeffelholz, and Lt. Theresa Burgess.

Mr. Heimann called for proof of posting. Sheriff Gill announced that meeting notices were posted at the Lafayette County Courthouse, Darlington Municipal Building, Memorial Hospital, Shullsburg Townsend Center, and the Lafayette County Website.

Mr. Heimann called for approval of the agenda. Mr. Larson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Mr. Bartels. Motion approved.

Discussion and possible action regarding Benton cancelling the policing contract: Sheriff Gill informed the committee that on October 4, he received notice from Deputy Michael Gorham that he would like to resign to pursue an opportunity presented which included, traveling to Puerto Rico the following week. On October 5, a letter of intent to retire was submitted to the Sheriff by Gorham. There were arrangements made to fill hours in Benton with part-time staff until the posting requirements were met for a replacement. On October 27, Sheriff Gill was contacted by the Benton Village President, wishing to cancel the contract. Sheriff Gill was told that Scott Pedley would be re-establishing the Benton Police Department. Sheriff Gill agreed to waive the 30 days written notice required by the contract and honored the Village's request to terminate immediately. Sheriff Gill estimated the budget impact to be approximately \$2290. This would be adjusted prior to the final budget hearing.

Mr. Sauer stated that there have been some questions about overbilling the Village. Sheriff Gill stated that there were some billing errors made and the errors were all rectified. Sheriff Gill shared that the Village set the schedule as to when they desired coverage and then it was added to our scheduling software.

Closed Session: Mr. Larson moved to enter closed session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(c) Wis. Stats., and seconded by Mr. Bartels. Mr. Heimann called for a rollcall vote, all yes.

Reconvene to open session: Mr. Perkins moved to reconvene to open session. This was seconded by Mr. Bartels. Mr. Heimann called for a rollcall vote, all yes.

Discussion and possible action, if any, on matter discussed in closed session: No action.

Next regular meeting: Scheduled on November 14th at 6 p.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Bartels. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.